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PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS

A High School Football Team
Organized—Is Challenged by
Miles City.

TO PLAY BASKET BALL

Game Will Be Introduced for Girls.
Monthly Report for September—General Notes.

The regular monthly report and roll
of honor were received too late for publication
in this issue. They will appear Friday.

The monthly report for September
shows the following items of interest:
The enrollment, 504, is 102 greater than
that of last year and 135 more than
Sept. 1897. The average daily attendance
is 88 more than last year. The per cent of
attendance is one-tenth of one per cent less
than Sept. 1898. The gain per cent of enrollment
over last year is 25, or an increase of one-fourth.

Some excellent work in drawing and
preserving autumn leaves is being done in
several rooms.

The teachers are making more use of
the fine set of relief maps than they did last year.

A set of supplementary history readers
and a set of nature readers are furnished each room.

The grade libraries have been distributed
and are now being used in their respective rooms.
Each teacher keeps a careful record of the books
taken by every pupil.

Among the various excellent school
journals taken by our teachers are the following:
North Western Monthly, Popular Educator,
Primary Education, The School Review, N. Y. School
Journal, The Normal Instructor, The Teachers' Institute,
The Child Study Monthly.

The boys of the eighth grade and
high school have purchased a football.
Miles City has challenged them for a game.
Football is rough sport, but it seems to develop
a spirit of school patriotism unequalled by any other
game. Under the direction of a careful "coach"
it teaches boys how to become strong and healthy.
One of the first things the football player is taught
is the fact that he cannot develop his muscles unless
he refrains from the use of tobacco. A cigarette
smoker is useless among a lot of hearty boys who
are striving their utmost. It is such fellows who,
by deceiving the "coach" and after gaining a place
on the team, are injured through their own weakness
that gives the game a bad report.

And now cometh the girls of the high school,
with the very reasonable inquiry why they are not
furnished an opportunity for physical exercise.
If suitable arrangements can be made, they will
be permitted to introduce the fascinating game of
basket ball, which has of late years proved itself so
popular in girls' colleges and gymnasiums.

The Longfellow rhetorical society of the high school
will give their first program at their room in the high
school building Friday, Oct. 13 at 2 o'clock. All friends
and patrons of the high school are cordially invited.

POLICE AND JUSTICE COURTS

Have Been Grinding Out a Big Grind the
Past Few Days.

The report of Police Judge Mann on the amount of
fines collected by him during the month of September,
which will be filed with the city council tonight,
shows an increased business in police circles. The sum
of \$520 was collected last month in fines from all
sources.

Since last Wednesday the police judge has had thirteen cases brought before him, the majority of which were charges of disturbing the peace. The proceeds from this batch netted the city something like \$100 in cash. W. Davis faced Police Judge Mann on a charge of disturbing the peace. The judge thought the man's face and name seemed familiar and on referring back to his July record he found that Davis had been up before him in that month and was fined \$5, but the fine had never been paid. He was assessed another \$5 and told to put up a \$10 William, which he did. Bud Lavassor is a "pinkie" whom the police have had dealings with before. Lavassor was fined \$10 on Sept. 30 and then got in the police dragnet the following day for disturbing the peace. He put up a cash bond of \$24.25 for his appearance yesterday morning, but failed to show up and the judge declared his bond forfeited.

Justice of the Peace Fraser is out of town and Justice Kelly has been doing the entire justice business the past few days. A very queer case came before Justice Kelly Saturday. Friday afternoon the police arrested James Whalen, who was charged with having held up and robbed a man named Reilly. When arrested Whalen denied having done so and said that it was just the other way—Reilly had robbed him and he had then held Reilly up to get his money back, which amounted to about \$80. Reilly was also hunted up and placed in jail. At the hearing Saturday the county attorney decided that Whalen should not be held and he was accordingly turned loose. Reilly was bound over to the district court on a charge of grand larceny.

A warrant was sworn out in Justice Kelly's court Saturday charging Ed. Kopp with having stolen two horses belonging to James Virtue, who lives out in the Musselshell country. It was learned that Kopp had been arrested at Malta and Sheriff Hubbard left that night to bring the man to Billings.

The state of Montana vs. Fong King is the title of a case before Justice Kelly today. The Chinaman is charged with running an opium joint.

Peter C. Dunning and B. F. Davidson were arrested Saturday afternoon by the police on a charge of having stolen about \$450 from Yee Sing, proprietor of the New York restaurant on the south side. The men had their preliminary hearing before Justice Kelly yesterday and were bound over to the district court.

TRAFFIC IN GIRLS.

Mrs. Edholm, the Rescue Mission Worker, on This Subject.

Traffic in girls and rescue missions is the startling subject on which Mrs. Charlton Edholm of The Temple, Chicago, will speak to the people of Billings for several days. Mrs. Edholm spoke in the Methodist church two weeks ago Sunday night and those who heard her were thrilled with horror as she portrayed the snares by which one thousand girls per week are trapped into houses of infamy. She proves beyond a doubt that there is an organized traffic in young innocent girls, and her work is largely preventive to tell fathers and mothers and teachers that their girls are liable to be snared into these vile dens. Being "forewarned is forearmed," and girls being warned of their danger can save themselves.

Wherever Mrs. Edholm has spoken the audience has shown the deepest interest in the great work of saving the girls, and to that end many have joined the W. C. T. U.—Chicago Evening Post.

BOQUETS FOR BILLINGS.

State Newspapers Speak of the Prosperity of the Magic City.

Anacoda Recorder: Billings is said to be the liveliest town in the state at present. As an evidence of this, it is pointed out that it supports two variety theaters. However Billings is rapidly going to the front. The new coal mining camps, as well as some of the older ones, are tributary to Billings. A prolific livestock and farming country surrounds her and she has every cause to look forward to a great future.

Livingston Post: It has become the fashion lately for the towns of Montana to exploit their superiority in vain phrase and arrogate to themselves all the blessings that bounteous nature and benign providence have to bestow. Billings has done this. Acting on the old proverb which says that "he who hath a horn and bloweth it not, verily the same shall not be tooted," the Magic City has been heralded abroad by her excellent press and enterprising citizens as the place where fortune smiles with perennial pleasantness. Billings today is famed abroad, her real estate is rising and in the midst of an alkali flat has arisen a city which is up-to-date in more particulars than one. It is easily done. It must be when such a boom as Billings seems to be enjoying can be made out of the raw material the boomers there had to start with. Here in Livingston and the country are opportunities which need only to be seen to be appreciated, embraced and enjoyed. It is a grand commonwealth—a splendid section of a splendid state. It is bound to come to the front. A year hence will see a great change. It is time to prepare.

Otis cabled the following from Manila Saturday: The transport Ohio, with three officers and forty-nine men of the Nevada cavalry, and two hundred and fifteen discharged men, sailed yesterday, via Hongkong and Guam. Two men of the Nevada cavalry are in the hands of the insurgents.

THE BIG YACHT RACE

Both the Shamrock and Columbia Are Becalmed, Off the Highlands.

BEST THREE IN FIVE

First of the Series of Races for the Cup Between England and America.

A Western Union bulletin at 8:30 this afternoon, says: "Both boats practically becalmed about three miles off the highlands, the same distance from lights. Neither can finish inside the time limit. The Shamrock is off the Columbia's weather bow, about 160 yards away."

Special Telegram to The Gazette.

New York, Oct. 3.—The thirty-mile international yacht race, between the Columbia and the Shamrock, starts at 11 o'clock this morning. The course is from Sandy Hook lightship, to windward or leeward, according to the direction of the breeze. The second race will be triangular, ten miles to the leg, and will be sailed on Thursday, and the contests will alternate every day until one of the yachts win three out of five races.

J. Pierpont Morgan and C. Oliver Iselin own the Columbia, and the Shamrock, the English boat, is owned by Sir Thomas Lipton.

"MISTAKES WILL HAPPEN."

See This Great Comedy at the Opera House Tomorrow Evening.

In "Mistakes Will Happen," which comes to the opera house tomorrow night, under the direction of Jacob Litt, the theater-going public will be treated to a distinct novelty, and novelties in farcial comedies are rare. The second act of the comedy takes place in the coach house of a supposedly wealthy gentleman, and both the ground floor and the hay loft are shown. The loft is as practical as the stage itself and is utilized with as much freedom by the actors. The set is so heavy that it takes over an hour to set up, for it is necessary to build a solid bridge with a thirty-foot span in order that the loft may be made solid enough to be utilized, for at one time there are five people running about it. The entire production is said to be very handsome and the company which is presenting the play is said to be an exceptionally strong one. It is headed by Charles Dickson.

A GOOD CLEAN-UP.

E. H. Cowles Makes \$15,000 in Three Years in His Gold Diggings.

Last Friday E. H. Cowles came to town and brought with him \$15,000 in gold, which he deposited in the local banks, says the Livingston Post. Mr. Cowles was more than jubilant over his good fortune and in an interview with a Post man he didn't conceal the secondary cause of his happiness.

"Why say, do you know when I went out into the Boulder country the people here gave me he horse laugh. Some of them said all kinds of things. I just pisted them and went out to that country to work those hills for all they

were worth. That was three years ago. Of course it took stick-to-ativeness to keep at it day after day and find that she wasn't panning out. But I knew the mineral was there, and if you don't believe me and you do believe that money talks come out to that country and see for yourself and listen to it talk. I expect to see Cowles' jump from its present population of less than a hundred to 1,000 in less than a year," said Mr. Cowles as he hurriedly excused himself. It is said that 1,000 claims have been staked out at the camp during the past two weeks. Cowles is about twenty-three miles southeast of here and if indications count for anything the little camp has a bright future.

MR. HOGG'S GIFT.

Paid Off Half the Methodist Church Debt Before Leaving.

Before leaving Montana W. L. Hogg, the pioneer and banker who has done so much for the upbuilding of the Methodist church in this city, made a donation to the church of \$1,465 to help pay off the debt that has been outstanding for two years, says the Anaconda Standard. This leaves a similar amount yet to be raised. At the quarterly conference of the church held Monday this donation was reported.

Last Sunday the quarterly meeting of the church took place, the first quarterly meeting of the year and the first appearance of Rev. Jacob Mills as presiding elder of the district. Mr. Mills is well known throughout the state, having lived in Montana for seventeen or eighteen years, where he has accomplished great good, not only by his pulpit ministrations and pure life, but also by his gifts in various places. An exception to the rule, Mr. Mills is a man of considerable wealth, which he claims belongs not to him, but to the Lord, while he is the steward to use it to the very best advantage. Giving, therefore, one-tenth or more of his income each year, he has been enabled to put thousands of dollars into needy hands. Churches have been built, parsonages paid for, preachers assisted and the Montana Wesleyan university largely helped through his benevolence.

GENERAL STATE NEWS.

The seventh annual meeting of the Montana Baptist association, that was to have been held in Great Falls last week, but was changed to Helena on account of the smallpox scare in the former city, convened in Helena Friday. The Montana Presbyterian Synod was held in Bozeman last week.

George M. Roe, a former employe at the Warm Springs insane asylum, who left Montana last winter about the time of the robbery of the postoffice and depot at Warm Springs, was arrested in Lincoln, Neb., and brought back to be tried by the United States court, was acquitted at Butte Friday. The jury reached a verdict in a few minutes. The defense was an alibi, in which time was the matter of chief importance. The jury seems to have considered the alibi established.

The city board of health in Great Falls appears to have at last arisen to the situation that confronts the city with an epidemic of smallpox and has adopted measures in keeping with the gravity of the situation. All public places have been closed with the exception of hotels and saloons. The press of the city at last admits there is smallpox in the city and plenty of it, after industriously trying to conceal the matter from the public. There are about thirty cases at present in the pest house, but the epidemic is now under control of the authorities.

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